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For: VERTEBRAL ARTHRODESIS)	
DEVICE)	

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated July 7, 2006, the period for reply has been extended to January 7, 2007 by a request for extension of time (3 months) and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Further, a Request for Continued Examination and fee payment are filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.

One Attachment including a certified English translation of French Patent No.

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